



Planning Board

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DECISION
07-07

Scenic Road Hearing
Relocation of Stone Wall at High and Parker Streets

June 12, 2007

Decision of the Acton Planning Board on the proposal by the Town of Acton to relocate a stone wall in the north corner of the High and Parker Streets intersection to a new site on or behind the street right-of-way line. High Street is a scenic road under Chapter J of the Town of Acton Bylaws. A public hearing was duly advertised for June 12, 2007. Board members Gregory E. Niemyski (Chairman), Michael C. Densen, Ruth M. Martin, Alan R. Mertz, Bruce Reichlen, Christopher R. Schaffner, Edmund R. Starzec, and associate member Roland A. Bourdon, III attended. Bruce M. Stamski, P.E., Town Engineer/Director of Public Works represented the Town. The hearing minutes and documentation on the subject matter may be viewed in the Planning Department or the Town Clerk's office at the Acton Town Hall.

1 EXHIBITS

Submitted for the Board's deliberation were the following exhibits:

- 1.1 Legal notice.
- 1.2 Letter from Mr. Stamski dated May 16, 2007.
- 1.3 Three photos depicting the existing stone wall and the relocation site.
- 1.4 Three photographs showing current sight distance problems at the intersection.
- 1.5 A sketch plan dated May 17, 2007.

2 FINDINGS and CONCLUSIONS

After review of the exhibits and the record of the proceedings the Board finds and concludes that:

- 2.1 The stone wall in its present location obstructs sight distance for drivers at the intersection.
- 2.2 The stone wall was erected in the right-of-way in the 1970's.
- 2.3 The relocation as proposed preserves the street character at the subject locus.

3 PLANNING BOARD ACTION

The Board consents to the stone wall relocation as proposed.

Copies furnished:

Town Engineer
Historical Commission
Town Clerk
Town Manager

Signed on behalf of the Acton Planning Board
Gregory E. Niemyski, Chairman